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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.					
1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114 Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).					
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For: ENZYMES HAVING TRANSAMINASE AND

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THEREOF

Examiner: E. Slobodyansky

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the final Office Action mailed December 17, 2003, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. A Notice of Appeal was filed June 17, 2004. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed.

This response is accompanied by a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. Thus, the finality of the outstanding final office action will be withdrawn and Applicants are entitled to have this submission entered and considered on the merits.

Amendments to the specification are on page 3 of this paper.

Amendment to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

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The following documents are also enclosed herewith:

- Fee Transmittal, and postcard;
- Request for Continued Examination Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114;
- Rule 132 Expert declaration by Dr. Jay Short; with C.V. of Dr. Jay Short;
- Exhibit A, exemplary sequence alignment.